IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

BRIAN JOSEPH GREF,

Plaintiff,

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Case No. 1:20-CV-05589-GBD

V.

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL
INDUSTRIES, individually and as
successor-in-interest for the CLUBMAN
BRAND, and to THE NESLEMUR
COMPANY and PINAUD COMPANY, et al.,

Defendants.

DEFENDANT AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES' OBJECTION TO THE RECOMMENDATION FILED JANUARY 15, 2025 CONCERNING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b) and 28 U.S.C § 636(b)(1), Defendant American International Industries ("A-I-I"), by counsel, respectfully submits this Objection to Magistrate Judge Figueredo's Report and Recommendation filed January 15, 2025 (ECF No. 459) ("the Recommendation"), which recommends granting Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss A-I-I with prejudice and without an award of fees or costs.

A-I-I objects to the Recommendation to preserve its position that it is entitled to recover costs under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(d). The grounds for A-I-I's Objection are more fully stated in A-I-I's Memorandum in support of Objection.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of January, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 29th day of January 2025, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send a notice of electronic filing to all parties.

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